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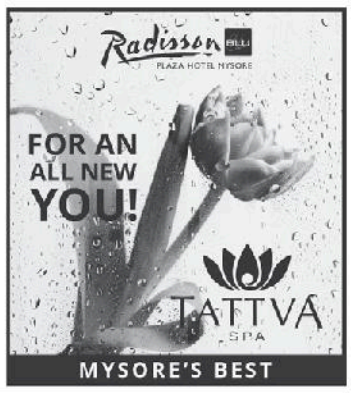

Cheluvamba Hospital to get Mobile NICU

The inside view of mobile Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (RK&BCT)- In a bid to prevent infant mortality in Mysuru District, the State-run Cheluvamba Hospital will soon get a cutting-edge mobile Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), also called a neonatal ambulance, that has been launched Statewide for emergency treatment of new-borns.

This new addition, under Integrated Management of Neonatal and Child ICU, aims to ensure prompt and safe transportation of premature and critically-ill infants from remote areas of the district to specialised healthcare facilities at district centres.

This mobile NICU is the only one of its kind in Mysuru Division and is part of a broader initiative that includes similar units for Vani Vilas Hospital in Bengaluru, Raichur Institute of Medical Sciences in Raichur and Karnataka Institute of Medical Sciences in Hubballi. The Department of Health and Family Welfare has provided these units with the goal of achieving a single-digit neonatal mortality rate.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, State Health Commissioner D. Randeep highlighted the challenges new-born babies face in adjusting to the external environment after birth, often leading to various health issues.

"To address this concern, we have initiated the NICU ambulance service — launched recently by Health and Family Welfare Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao — for the first time in the State. This service aims to provide emergency healthcare to new-borns while they are being transferred from one hospital to another.

Notably, in Mysuru, from April 2023 to January 2024, there were 31,423 live births with 18 maternal deaths and 329 infant deaths and in 2022-23, there were 35,441 live births, 22 maternal deaths and 558 infant deaths.

According to District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, the NICU will arrive in Mysuru soon. "Many villages in rural Mysuru do not have access to Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and even if there is access, post-natal care is not available. People can seek help from the NICU to take care of the babies and these ambulances will be helpful in safely transporting premature babies and during serious health emergencies safely for further treatment," he said.

"They have modern life-saving equipment including ventilator, incubator, oxygen, pulse check and injections and they will have a neonatologist, ASHA workers and nurses appointed to take care of the new-born babies. Timely access to specialised care can greatly improve the chances of survival for critically-ill new-borns and enhance long-term health outcomes, ultimately improving the quality of life for new-borns," the DHO added.

(See NICU on page 7)

To Our Readers

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CIVIC ISSUES?

Call 24x7 Control Room, MCC Zonal Commissioners, Development Officers

Mysuru, Feb.20 (RK&TRR)- Responding to public concerns regarding the accessibility of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) officers, Commissioner Ashaad-ur-Rahman Shariff has taken steps to address the issue. He has provided cell phone numbers of designated officials for public contact during emergencies such as identifying hazardous trees, electric poles, manholes, UGD issues, road hazards and more.

Residents within any of the nine MCC Zonal limits are encouraged to reach out to the respective officials for essential services including water supply, UGD maintenance, street lighting, sanitation, road maintenance, birth/death certificates, taxation matters, building permits, trade licenses and other related services.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 20th February 2024

Distribution of hearing aids at AIISH on Feb. 22

Empowering the hearing impaired community through generous support

Mysuru, Feb.20- All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, has partnered with Frauscher Sensor Technology India Pvt Ltd, Hebbal, Mysuru, to distribute hearing aids to young children and individuals with hearing impairment.

Frauscher Sensor Technology India is a leading company for wheel detection and axle counting in the Indian market.

The event will witness distribution of high-gain digital hearing aids on Feb.22 as part of 'Commemoration of World Hearing Day' activity observed on March 3 every year.

The hearing aids will be distributed to the identified beneficiaries who belong to below poverty line by chief guest Alok Sinha, Country Head, Frauscher Groups and Prof. M. Pushpavathi, Director, AIISH.

"The initiative aims to raise awareness about hearing health and the importance of early intervention. By providing these devices along with therapy we are not just restoring their hearing but we are restoring their ability to communicate, connect with others and participate fully in society. This support ensures easier mobility, symbolising a shared commitment to inclusivity," stated AIISH press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

All religions, philosophies, social, economic and political theories, psychological systems, etc., are based on a particular interpretation or understanding of history. This itself is untenable or erroneous and, so, these systems cannot trace and understand correctly the historical roots of the problems or conflicts. In that case, how can they eradicate conflicts? If they had understood the genesis and pathology rightly, then they should have been able to resolve conflicts. Similarly all religions, philosophies, etc., are based on some presumptions which themselves have not been validated by proof. These presumptions or presuppositions are themselves in conflict with those of other religions, philosophies, etc. So, instead of solving, they add to conflicts.

It needs to be understood that every conflict can be ended, narrowed or reduced by appealing to a value but, if that value is not accepted on good faith by those systems or methodologies, the conflicts too in the outer world cannot be ended.

For example, if a system of thought does not adopt non-violence in its methods and is instead based on the belief that violence is justified to end violence and to establish peace, how can it establish an order of non-violence? People expect the State to end conflicts but if the State is itself an instrument of coercion and violence, then how can it end conflicts? Moreover, all conflicts ensue from incorrect relations with one's own self and then with others. They are also due to clashes of ego or self-interests. So, if these problems of ego and selfishness are not solved, how can the conflicts be resolved?

The system and method, applied as a solution, should not give rise to another problem, even if they solve one or some of the problems. Otherwise, it would mean only replacing the problems. All problems and conflicts have to be dealt with together and simultaneously, else they will remain because they are so intermingled that many will remain even if one of them remains. It is in this context that we should understand the importance of true spiritual knowledge imparted by the Supreme, Value System and interpretation of history and an all-out methodical effort as it does not have these flaws. Such a four-fold endeavour, under Supreme's guidance alone can and will end all conflicts forever and can and will usher in the proverbial Golden Age.

—Rajyogi Brahmakumar Nikunj in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Long-lost wallet washed up on beach

Tofino: A woman walking with her dogs on a British Columbia beach made a surprising discovery among the trash that washed up with the tide - her own long-lost wallet.

Marcie Callawaert said she and her dogs were on the beach of the remote island where she and her husband live near Tofino when she spotted something familiar in the sand. Callawaert, who chronicled her discovery, said she had dropped the wallet into the water while boarding a boat in June 2023.

She said the wallet, cash, cards and ID are still in remarkably good condition after showing up on the beach. "The only damage is that the zipper was corroded," she said.

34-year-old wombat is the oldest ever

Ikeda: A wombat residing at a Japanese zoo was named the oldest member of his species on record at the age of at least 34. Guinness World Records said Wain, a wombat living at Satsukiyama Zoo in Ikeda, was rescued from his mother's pouch after she was hit by a car in November 1989, making him at least 34 years and 100 days old and possibly as old as 35 if estimates placing his birth date in January 1989 are correct.

The previous record-holder for oldest wombat in captivity ever was named Patrick and was at least 30 years and 200 days old when he died at Australia's Ballarat Wildlife Park in 2017.

Wombats average a lifespan of 5-15 years in the wild, and wombats in captivity have been known to live into their 20s.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Treatment options for gall stones are watchful waiting in cases where there are no symptoms and surgical removal of gall bladder with the stones by keyhole surgery (laparoscopic cholecystectomy) which is the gold standard treatment in patients with symptoms.

By Dr. Vasudeva Pai H - Consultant - Surgical Gastroenterology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

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1,000 Village Accountants to be appointed soon: Minister

Bengaluru, Feb. 20 (KMS & DM)- Revenue Minister Krishna Byregowda said that a notification will be issued for appointment of 1,000 Village Accountants.

Replying to a question by BJP's Kiran Kumar Kodgi in the Legislative Assembly during question hour in the ongoing Legislature Session here yesterday, Byregowda admitted there is a huge number of vacancies in Revenue Department. Now, CM Siddaramaiah has agreed for appointment of 1,000 Village Accountants, he said.

Stating that the previous BJP Government had sent hundreds of Revenue Department staff to other Departments on deputation, the Minister said this had hampered the functioning of Revenue Department. Now, such deputations will be cancelled, he declared.

Replying to a question by Mahantesh Koujalagi of the Congress, Krishna Byregowda said there is a Rs.10 crore ceiling for construction of new buildings for Taluk Offices. Pointing out that 63 new taluks were declared in 2018, he said that only 14 new taluks got sanction for construction of Taluk Office. As such, the construction of buildings in respect of the remaining 49 taluks has remained pending, he noted. However, the buildings for these 49 taluks will be constructed in a period of three years after the new estimates and architectural specifications are completed, he added.

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VOICE OF THE READER

Unused subway on Sayyaji Rao Road a waste of public money

Sir,

The unused subway on Sayyaji Rao Road presents several pressing issues. Firstly, its sporadic usage during Dasara, necessitating a new coat of paint each year, could be a more efficient allocation of resources and taxpayer funds.

During the rainy season, the neglected subway transforms into a breeding ground for flies, mosquitoes, frogs and harmful bacteria. This poses a significant health hazard to the shops, businesses, and visitors along Sayyaji Rao Road. Moreover, the subway consumes a substantial portion of parking space on all four sides of the road, including Dhanvantri Road, leading to inconvenience for both customers and shop owners.

The presence of the subway obstructs the visibility of nearby shops, adversely impacting their business. Its placement hinders accessibility, making it challenging for potential customers to locate and patronise these establishments.

Additionally, amid the bustling Sayyaji Rao Road, the subway occupies valuable space that could be better utilised for other purposes. The removal of a traffic signal near the Bata showroom, which previously facilitated smoother traffic flow and benefited both the public and local businesses, further highlights the questionable necessity of the subway's construction, representing a misuse of taxpayer funds over the years.

— Anwar Baig

Mysuru
12.2.2024

Karnataka to pay for Kerala man's death by 'Karnataka elephant'

Forest Minister's volte face on compensation soon after Rahul Gandhi asked Karnataka to pay Rs. 15 lakh

Bengaluru, Feb. 20 (Agencies) - The BJP has accused the Karnataka Government of illegally allocating Rs. 15 lakh to the kin of a Kerala man who was killed by an elephant captured in Karnataka but later strayed into Kerala's Wayanad.

With Congress leader Rahul Gandhi being the MP from Wayanad, the BJP's Karnataka Unit President B.Y. Vijayendra alleged that the Congress government in Karnataka was misusing taxpayers' money to curry favour with the former Party President.

"Illegally allocating State fund of Rs. 15 lakh to a deceased individual from Rahul Gandhi's Wayanad Constituency, falsely blaming an elephant from Karnataka, is an appalling betrayal," Vijayendra, an MLA from Shikaripura, said.

He said that amid crippling drought and hundreds of farmers committing suicides across Karnataka, the Congress government "shamelessly prioritised pleasing Rahul Gandhi over addressing the State's urgent needs."

"CM Siddaramaiah and his cohorts must be held accountable for unethically looting Karnataka taxpayers' money and State treasury to cater to the Congress High Command's greed," the BJP State Chief said. Amidst the Congress party's struggle for survival, its Ministers are sparing no effort in plundering every last rupee of the State's coffers, Vijayendra alleged.

Minister's volte face: The tuskless male elephant (makhna) was captured in Belur taluk of Hassan district on Nov. 30, 2023, and translocated to the Bandipur Forest area. After more than two months, it was found that it had strayed into Wayanad.

On Feb. 10, a man was killed by the elephant in Wayanad and following this, elected representatives and the Government of Kerala had requested the Karnataka government to be largehearted and pay compensation for that case.

Initially, Karnataka Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre had argued that elephants cannot be labelled 'Karnataka elephant' or 'Kerala elephant' since they are migratory in nature and refused to pay compensation.

However, soon after Rahul Gandhi's visit to Wayanad, Khandre said the Karnataka Government has agreed to pay compensation to the Kerala man on par with the indemnity paid to the people of Karnataka killed by an elephant.

Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Jathra Mahotsava on Feb. 22

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (GA&DM)-Celebrating the 188th birth anniversary of Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Seva Prathishtana will host the Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Jathra Mahotsava in city on Feb. 22.

Dr. S.P. Yoganna, the Working President of the Pratishtana and Founder of Suyog Hospital, announced this during a press meet at Pathrakarthara Bhavan this morning. The event will feature a grand procession.

The procession will be inaugurated by Mysuru Ramakrishna Vidyashala Correspondent Swami Yukteshanandaji at 3 pm on Feb. 22, starting from Ramakrishna Circle in Ramakrishnanagar. It will traverse through the main thoroughfares of Ramakrishnanagar, Vivekanandanagar and Sharadadevinagar localities, concluding at the starting point at 5 pm.

Following the procession, a 'Chintana-Manthana' programme will commence at 6 pm, with Adichunchanagiri Mutt Seer Dr. Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji inaugurating the event. Dr. N. Someshwara, a renowned Kannada Quiz Master and writer, will deliver a talk on the relevance of Swami Vivekananda's thoughts.

Former Jayadeva Hospital Director Dr. C.N. Manjunath will be the chief guest. Achievers from various fields will be felicitated by Swami Sarvajayananda of Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru.

Dr. Yoganna mentioned that the Pratishtana has been organising this event for the past five years. The Jathra Mahotsava will be formally inaugurated by Mysuru Ramakrishna Ashram President Muktidanandaji, who will pay tributes to the statue of Ramakrishna Paramahamsa at Ramakrishna Circle in Ramakrishnanagar at 7 am on Feb. 22.

Pratishtana President and former MLC D. Madegowda, office-bearers Basavanna, Doreraju, Basavalingappa and Kempalingaraju were present at the press meet. For more details, contact Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Seva Prathishtana on Mob: 99806-16924 or 98447-89342.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power Disruption

As the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) will be taking up the quarterly maintenance works at 66/11 KV Yelwal Power Distribution Centre, VV Mohalla Division, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow (Feb. 21) between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas: Yelwal, Hale Kamanakoppal, Maidanahalli, Megalapura, Bhadre -gowdanakoppal, Chikkegowdana koppal, Hosakote, Sarakatte, Yachegowdanahalli, Dadakanahalli, Ramenahalli, Yadahalli, Kalluru, Naganahalli, Gungralchatra, Chatradakoppal, Ratnahalli, Veerappanakopal and surrounding areas.

Free Workshop on Advaitha Meditation

Quantum Physics Advaitha Vishwalaya, Bengaluru, will conduct a free workshop about Advaitha Meditation camp on the subject 'Bauddhavataras' tomorrow (Feb. 21) at 12 noon at Kannika Parameswari Temple, near Rajkamal Theatre, Shivarampet, Mysuru. Contact Mob: 97318-56059.

Art of Living Workshop

Sri Ravi Shankar Guruji's Art of Living is conducting a workshop including yoga, pranayama, meditation and powerful breathing technique called Sudarshan Kriya from Feb. 27 to March 2 between 6 am - 8.30 am and 6 pm - 8.30 pm at Art of Living Ashram, Lalithadripura Road, Mysuru. For details, contact Mob: 94804-76825.

Calling failed students of UG courses

The University of Mysore (UoM) has given one more chance for students who have failed to clear even semester (Second, Fourth, Sixth and Eighth) exam papers of its various Under-Graduate courses even after double the term period. Such students can re- appear for the exam to take place in May or June, 2024 for which the notification will be issued soon. For details, contact the University's examination section or the college where students have studied, according to a press release.

Deadline extended

The Social Welfare Department has extended the deadline for eligible SC Community students (annual income of parents must not exceed Rs. 2.5 lakh) of Mysuru taluk to file online applications for Post-Matric Student Scholarship to Feb. 29. Students can apply on the website: ***https://ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in/*** along with documents. Contact Ph: 0821- 2520910.

Camera trap wildlife census begins in Bandipur Reserve

Camera traps used in 612 points in 1,036 sq.km area; survey of 305 points completed

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, Feb. 20- The Forest Department has completed the initial phase of the internal wildlife census, utilising camera traps at 305 designated locations within the Bandipur Tiger Reserve. Although the National Tiger Census occurs every four years, camera trap surveys are conducted annually across all Tiger Reserves.

The census plays a critical role in the conservation of wildlife by providing valuable insights into population sizes, distribution patterns and trends over time. This information is essential for identifying areas where conservation efforts are most needed and for developing effective strategies to protect endangered species and their habitats.

All major animals included

This comprehensive survey encompasses not only tigers but also other wildlife species such as elephants, leopards, bison, sambar deer and various carnivores and herbivores. The primary objective is to ascertain an accurate count and gather photographic evidence of the wildlife population within the forest reserve.

According to officers, wildlife census data is indispensable for the management of protected areas and wildlife reserves. "By accurately assessing the status of various wildlife populations, we can make informed decisions regarding habitat restoration, predator-prey dynamics and the control of invasive species . This ensures that this natural habitat is maintained in a healthy state, supporting the biodiversity it harbours," said Dr. P. Ramesh Kumar, Director of Project Tiger at Bandipur.

As the oldest Tiger Reserve in the State, Bandipur spans across 1,036 square kilometres, with each two-square-kilometre area demarcated as a grid for camera trap installations to monitor wildlife activity.

Two-phased data collection

The ongoing survey is divided into two phases, with Bandipur Tiger Reserve segmented into 13 zones and 3 sub-divisions for efficient implementation. A total of 612 survey points have been identified, requiring 1,224 camera traps (two per point). Despite possessing 800 camera traps, the Reserve conducts the internal census in two phases due to resource constraints.

Forest officials have confirmed the successful conclusion of the first phase of the internal census, during which camera traps diligently monitored various wild animals around the clock for 25 days. The collected photographs of wildlife, including tigers, will now be compiled into a comprehensive database aimed at aiding wildlife conservation efforts.

With the initial phase completed, officials and staff are actively engaged in installing camera traps at the remaining 305 designated points for the second phase of the survey. The culmination of this subsequent phase, anticipated within the next 25 days, will yield the final tally of wild animals present within the Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

Workshop for forest personnel

The Forest Department has scheduled a workshop on Feb. 23 to prepare for the transect survey in the Bandipur Tiger Reserve. During this survey, forest personnel will extensively explore the forest on foot from morning to evening, meticulously observing and documenting wild animals.

This initiative aims to complement the ongoing internal survey by providing supplementary data and insights into the wildlife population within the Tiger Reserve.

99 percent accurate data

All India Tiger Estimate is conducted annually, and last year, a total of 191 tigers were recorded in the Bandipur Tiger Reserve. Currently, we are undertaking an internal survey covering the entire 1,036 sq km area of the Reserve, with each two sq km segment divided into grids. Within each grid, we have installed two camera traps equipped with thermal sensors, enabling them to capture photographs of wild animals. These images are then stored in a database using the 'Cat Track' software, which plays a crucial role in calculating the tiger population. The data recorded in the software is known to be 99 percent accurate. Camera traps are effective in monitoring wildlife activity both during the day and night."

— Dr. P. Ramesh Kumar
Director of Project Tiger at Bandipur

Animals recorded last year

Last year, the Forest Department recorded a total of 41,000 deer, 5,500 Indian gaurs, 7,500 sambar, 1,116 elephants and 191 tigers. This year, forest officials are anticipating higher numbers.

Two killed as goods vehicle hits bike

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (RK&KS)- Two persons on a two-wheeler were killed when a goods vehicle hit their vehicle near Belawadi Check-Post on Hunsur Road yesterday morning.

The deceased have been identified as Manohar (55), a resident of Nagavala and Baburam (57), hailing from Uttar Pradesh.

The duo were proceeding on a motorbike from Mysuru side when a speeding goods vehicle, coming from the opposite direction rammed into the bike in front of a petrol bunk near Belawadi Check-Post at about 10.55 am, killing bike rider Baburam on the spot and seriously injuring Manohar. Manohar was rushed to a nearby hospital where he was given first-aid and was being shifted to K.R. Hospital, but he breathed his last midway, VV Puram Traffic Police said.

Manohar and Baburam were working at a porcelain manufacturing factory and had come to Mysuru on a work. The accident occurred when they were returning. VV Puram Traffic Police, who rushed to the spot, seized the goods vehicle besides taking the driver into custody.

A case has been registered and investigation is on.

Man electrocuted

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (MK&KS)- A 60-year-old man was electrocuted at an under-construction building near Gandhi Square in city on Monday evening.

The deceased has been identified as Akbar Khan, an electrician and a resident of Shanthinagar in city.

He was providing power connections to a few shops in Olympia Theatre building when he suffered electrocution at about 7 pm yesterday.

Deceased Akbar was working as an electrician since a few years. Power connection to a couple of shops in the theatre building were disconnected and the shopkeepers had called Akbar to restore the connection.

It is learnt that the tragedy struck, when Akbar was fixing power connection, .

Devaraja Police who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary for post-mortem.

Devaraja Police who have registered a case are investigating.

LS Polls: DC reviews preparations; asks official machinery to gear up

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (SBD&BCT)- In anticipation of the forthcoming Lok Sabha (LS) elections, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. K.V. Rajendra, who is also the District Electoral Officer, stressed the importance of diligent efforts to pre-empt any issues during the electoral process.

Subsequent to a video conference session on the 2024 Lok Sabha elections led by the State Chief Electoral Officer, held in the DC Office Conference Hall, a meeting was convened with a focus on Assistant Election Officers and Nodal Officers of the district.

The discussion centred on ensuring the provision of Assured Minimum Facilities across all taluks of the district, with particular attention to amenities like electricity, sanitation, ramps and drinking water, in preparation for the impending elections.

Addressing officers, Dr. Rajendra said that the Election Commission had issued tough guidelines and has sought officers to conduct free and fair polls without giving room for controversies. Explaining the Election Commission directives, the DC told the officers that they would be liable for criminal action if wrong decisions are taken and if rules are flouted.

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. K.V. Rajendra chairing the meeting pertaining to the forthcoming Lok Sabha elections in city yesterday as City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh, ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri, SP Seema Latkar, DCP M. Muthuraj and other officers look on.

"All the officers must study the Representation of People's Act 1951 to know what become rules and what becomes a violation. Any officer who is a party to electoral malpractices directly or indirectly will be punished," he said.

Regarding the release of the election Model Code of Conduct, officials were cautioned to prevent the placement of flex banners district-wide. The DC directed officials responsible for overseeing election activities at check-posts to arrange essential facilities for themselves and their teams.

Any public gatherings or events without permission from Police authorities are strictly prohibited, with officials advised to take necessary actions against such infringements.

Given the multitude of festivals and fairs during this period, emphasising the need to maintain order, the DC highlighted the importance of preventing any disturbances.

Assistant inspection officers were tasked with evaluating issues in their respective Assembly areas.

Present at the meeting were City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth, Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer K.M. Gayathri, Superintendent of Police Seema Latkar, Additional DC Shivaraj and other district-level officials.

Orientation training

An orientation training for Master Trainers from all Assembly Constituencies in Mysuru District for the Lok Sabha General Elections 2024 was conducted under the Chairmanship of DC Dr. K. V. Rajendra yesterday.

The training session, organised by the Mysuru District Institute of Education and Training (DIET), saw the participation of DIET Principal alongside District Training Officers and Nodal Officers.

A total of 120 Assembly Segment Trainers attended the session.

DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra seen during the orientation training for Master Trainers in city yesterday.

Mysuru Police enhance security protocols ahead of 2024 elections

Superintendent of Police (SP) Seema Latkar seen addressing Police officers during the workshop organised at the SP Office here yesterday as Additional SP Dr. B.N. Nandini and Public Prosecutor Lolakshi look on. Picture right shows a section of Police officers attending the comprehensive workshop.

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (RK&BCT)- In a proactive measure aimed at ensuring smooth conduct of the Lok Sabha elections - 2024, the Mysuru Police had organised a comprehensive workshop at the conference hall of the SP Office recently. This training session provided a crucial opportunity for Police officers to familiarise themselves with new strategies and techniques essential for maintaining security during elections.

Chaired by Government Public Prosecutor Lolakshi, the workshop was designed to equip officials with the necessary knowledge and guidelines for effectively overseeing the electoral process. Lolakshi emphasised the importance of strict adherence to electoral regulations, providing training to Police personnel on their roles and responsibilities during the electoral period.

Highlighting the significance of enforcing election laws as stipulated by the Karnataka Police Act, Lolakshi underscored the responsibility of authorities in upholding electoral laws and regulations to ensure a democratic and lawful electoral process.

Addressing potential challenges, Lolakshi stressed the need for preparations to prevent any law and order problems during the elections. She warned about the possibility of candidates influencing voters through the distribution of money and liquor, underlining the importance of keeping criminal elements at bay to maintain free and fair polls.

The workshop also focused on executing non-bailable warrants issued by the Courts, checking and arresting absconding and wanted criminals and monitoring events at bars and restaurants. Training was provided to personnel on tracking violations of the Model Code of Conduct, including monitoring social media activity.

Lolakshi reiterated that elections should provide an opportunity for every citizen, especially the marginalised, to exercise their democratic rights peacefully.

Officials were urged not to succumb to pressure or temptation, ensuring an environment conducive to maximum voter turnout.

SP Seema Latkar and Additional SP Dr. B. Nandini, along with Police officers, were reminded of the importance of preparedness to face various challenges during the electoral process.

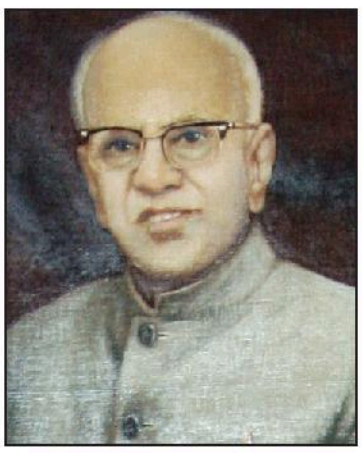
The workshop aimed to instil a sense of readiness and commitment among officials to uphold the integrity of the electoral process.

Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

A time to pray and remember

Men behind city's perfumed enterprise



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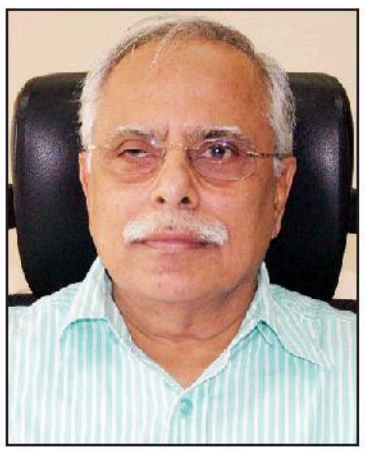

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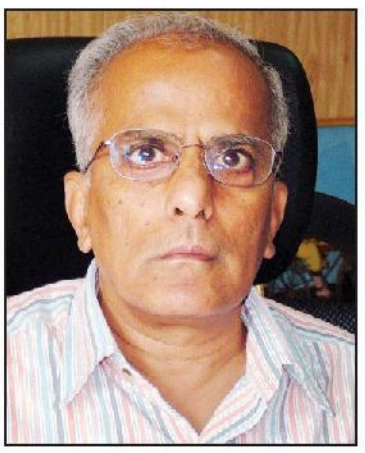

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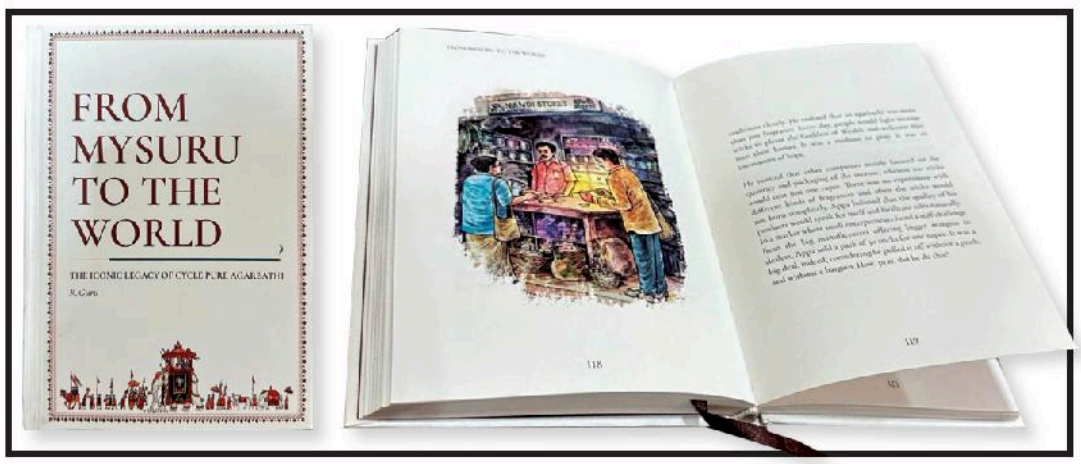

Ebruary 14th every year is Valentine's Day. A day to celebrate love and romance. And February 16th every year is a day to celebrate anniversary of city's *"eccentric"* evening english newspaper — *Star of Mysore (SOM)*. Yes, *eccentric* is the word used by the famous Tourist Guide book of Australia the *"Lonely Planet"*. A mark of recognition of *SOM* as an interesting newspaper. The guide book asks its readers not to miss reading *SOM* while in Mysuru!

The avoirdupois 64-page tabloid on its 47th year of publication weighed heavy on the delicate hands of our readers, but it was unputdownable for the addicts. In fact I, yours truly, as one who sired *SOM,* was in for a surprise not for its size, colour or weight but for an unusual advertisement that sang paeans about *SOM* and what it means for Mysureans *per se*.

The heavenly muse seems to have possessed the copy writer of that advertisement who wrote a full page of poem in six quartets crowned with a title *'An Ode to Mysore's Evening Star.'*

The advertiser, Cycle Pure Agarbathi, is celebrating 75 years. A perfumed product born in 1948 paying tribute to a knowledge product *Star of Mysore* born in 1978. *Jai ho,* two great iconic merchandise of the regal city of Mysuru.

While Ranga Rao & Sons, the manufacturers of varieties of perfumed products is spreading the fragrance across the world, it is also into the future with Aerospace products. In contrast, *SOM* remains the sentinel of Mysuru city as its watchdog and a purveyor of news and views on its heritage and development.

While Cycle Pure Agarbathi may lead you to prayer, *SOM* may lead you to knowledge. And knowledge is power. Power corrupts because it is its nature. To rein in power, prayer is the panacea and Agarbathi is the enabler.

Now having rambled on the power of knowledge and the daily need to pray in our life, let me share with my readers the cause for picking up this one advertisement for cud-chewing in this *Abracadabra.* Let me assure, it is not the advertisement nor the flattering poem that impelled me to ink my thoughts here. It is that cute, little book adorned and enlivened with enticing beautiful water-colour pictures illustrating its contents.

This book *(see pic.)* that has the appearance of a prayer book one finds in 5-Star hotels came to me a couple of days back in a gift hamper from Arjun Ranga, the CEO of Ranga Rao & Sons. In the past I used to get an impeccably packed box of Agarbathis but this year it was different and instinctively I took charge of the gift hamper and began to undress it layer by layer till this book was revealed. The title: *'From Mysuru to the World'* by its once moving spirit and now the Chairman and Mentor R. Guru.

The book, very richly produced, can be called Rangayana, like our epic *Ramayana,* because it is about the life and struggle of NR Group's Founder Narayanachar Ranga Rao. A biography by his eldest son R. Guru.

Like any autobiography or biography, this book too, like nature is only half revealed. That said, it is well written and easily readable.

There is much in N. Ranga Rao's life to learn for those born poor but with big dreams. Rome was not built in a day so also NR Group we see today was not built upon the foundation already laid by others. There was so much of struggle behind this great success. The second and third generation would be either running the show as usual or will build upon the past and expand the industry. And with competent new generation at the helm, the enterprise is headed for greater glory.

The company is galloping to win more laurels as a leader in the Agarbathi and perfumery industry in India under its young and dynamic CEO Arjun Ranga, the cricket freak who owns the Mysore Warriors (KPL team). However, it was R. Guru the eldest son among the nine siblings who bore the brunt of birth pangs of business in its early days by discontinuing his college studies.

Of course, later he completed his BA degree through distance learning from Karnataka State Open University (KSOU). However, Guru writes that it was his younger brother R.N. Murthy's entry that took the business to greater heights with his innovative ideas in marketing. Yes, Murthy had studied about perfumes and the business paradigm in France known for fashion and perfumes.

Guru quotes from his father's 1977 diary that could be a moral precept for any family. It says, "I am the only Agarbathi manufacturer in Mysore who lives with his sons under one roof. We have one kitchen and we eat and pray together. I have done my duty as a father by educating them and celebrating their marriage." Reading this, I am reminded of Father Denis Noronha, who was once a household name as a Priest and Correspondent of Mysore Diocesan Educational Society (MDES), which runs St. Joseph's Educational Institutions.

An amiable, always smiling Catholic Priest. Once I had invited him for dinner at home and while leaving he gave a mini-sermon thanking my family. **"Let us remember that the family that eats together stays together. Also, the family that prays together stays together."** I said ***Amen.***

Writing about the passing away of his father in 1980, R. Guru alludes to his Physician-friend Dr. K.B. Subbaiah, who is my elder brother and Dr. C.D. Sreenivasa Murthy, who is my doctor too and at whose timely diagnosis and advice, I could be here now writing this article.

Conscious of such a wonderful, rich inheritance, the grateful children of N. Ranga Rao decided to perpetuate the patriarch's memory by using the first part of his name 'Ranga' as a surname to their children's name. So we have R.N. Murthy's son named Arjun Ranga, the present CEO. What a noble thought and expression of sentiment.

The NR Group has been discharging its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) even before the law in this regard came into being. They are supporting sporting talents (specially cricket), running a FREE residential school for the visually impaired girls, running a FREE skill development centre, sacred tree planting at temples, FREE cleft-lip surgeries and many other community services.

May the legacy of Cycle Pure Agarbathi in leading people to pray and live in the spirit of *Kalpavruksha* and *Kamadenu* continue.

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Archives Dept. a treasure trove of historical info: Prof. N.S. Rangaraju

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (PM&BS)- Retired Professor N.S. Rangaraju, from the Department of Ancient History and Archaeology at the University of Mysore, underlined the significance of the Department of Archives in unearthing valuable insights from history.

Rangaraju, who is also the Member of District Heritage Conservation Committee, was speaking during the valedictory of a seminar on 'Unification of Karnataka, Identity of Kannada,' exhibition of historical records and photography exhibition, organised jointly by Mysore Divisional Archives and Karnataka State Department of Archives at Vidyavardhaka First Grade College, Seshadri Iyer Road on Monday.

Rangaraju, sharing his own experience, recounted an incident where he wrote an article titled 'Karnatakadalli Gandhi' for a book planned by Gandhi Bhavan, University of Mysore. When he presented the article, focusing on the 'Mysore Chalo' movement and its leader Ramaswamy, Prof. K.C. Basavaraju raised objections, pointing out the omission of two other leaders who had sacrificed their lives in the movement.

Prompted by this, Rangaraju delved into the Archives Department for a week, eventually discovering the names Ranga and Thoranayaka, which had been published in 'Sadhvi' newspaper in 1947. Although these names were mentioned in the 'Mysuru Darshana' published by Karnataka State Open University (KSOU), only Ramaswamy had been honoured with a Circle named after him.

Rangaraju emphasised the importance of utilising the resources available in the Archives, including the published letters spanning four volumes, encouraging researchers and students alike to make the most of these historical records for their academic pursuits.

Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar's dedication to Kannada is evident through the coins issued during his reign, which feature Kannada numerals. These copper coins bear Kannada numerals from 1 to 25, along with the inscription 'Sri Krishna' in Kannada and the year of minting on the other side. Prof. Rangaraju mentioned that he has these coins in his collection.

An inscription dating back to the Kadamba reign includes numerals from 1 to 9, which is the highest numerical range found in any historical inscription. B.R. Gopal of the University of Mysore is credited with excavating this inscription and publishing his findings. Rangaraju stressed the importance of recognising and honouring individuals who have contributed to Kannada.

Senior Assistant Director of the Mysore Divisional Archives Office, H.L. Manjunath, also addressed the gathering. The valedictory address was delivered by retired Deputy Director of Archives, Dr. J.V. Gayathri. Deputy Director of the Karnataka State Archives Department in Bengaluru Dr. Sadanandappa Nelkudri, Senior Assistant Director Mahesh, Principal of Vidyavardhaka First Grade College Dr. S. Marigowda and others were present.

Letters are historical treasure

The letter correspondences between the dignitaries of yore and photography evidences are the treasure trove of history. It is also a way to reminisce those who lived then. Moreover, these letters and photographs gives a peek into the developments related to division of States and unification of Karnataka. Kannada language has received contributions from various fields including Kannada cinema, where the film lyricists have made rich contributions through songs, kindling the spirit of Kannada among unlettered people."

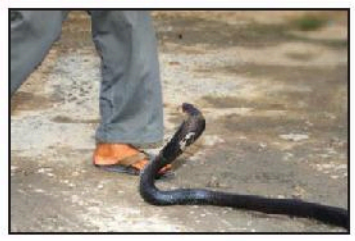
—Dr. J.V. Gayathri, retired Deputy Director of Archives

Samvidhana Jagruti Jatha

Eberhard Hahne, a journalist from Germany reading the preamble of our Constitution as part of 'Samvidhana Jagruti Jatha' (Constitution Awareness Rally) with Tongas — a symbol of Mysuru's heritage, at Mysore Palace North Gate this morning, as Joint Director of Tourism Department M.K. Savitha and other officials look on.

A first in India

Snake bite is a 'notifiable disease' now



Bengaluru Feb. 20 (BS)- Karnataka Government has added snake bite in the list of Notifiable Disease, announced under Integrated Health Information Platform (IHIP), consisting of all the health facilities.

According to a notification issued on Feb. 12, it is noted that, according to this classification, all Government and private hospitals and medical institutes must compulsorily notify all cases of in-patients and out-patients seeking treatment or dying due to snake bites by uploading their details on IHIP.

This data will also help the Health and Family Welfare Department understand the burden of snakebites, track any seasonal and regional variations and prepare an adequate stock of the anti-venom required for treatment, noted Health Department officials.

Although it is not a 'disease' in the traditional sense, the under-reporting of cases and lack of awareness about free treatment prompted the Department to make it a notifiable disease, said D. Randeep, Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare Department.

The Human Society International (HSI) has lauded this move of the State Government, with Karnataka being the first State in India to declare snake bite as a 'notifiable disease'.

Mobile NICU at Cheluvamba

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In Mysuru district, every month, on an average, 300 to 350 child births are recorded in K.R. Nagar, 125 to 150 in H.D. Kote, 100 to 125 in Nanjangud, 50 to 100 in Hunsur, 125 to 150 in T. Narasipur and Periyapatna.

"Earlier, most of the deliveries were referred to Mysuru as there were no facilities at Taluk Hospitals and the pressure on Mysuru's maternity hospitals was too much . Now, all the Taluk Hospitals have been strengthened and the infrastructure has been upgraded at Cheluvamba Hospital, SMT Maternity Hospital, V.V. Puram Maternity Hospital, Community Health Centre Bannur, and Taluk Hospitals at T. Narsipur, Nanjangud, H.D. Kote, Periyapatna, Hunsur and K.R. Nagar," Dr. Kumaraswamy added.

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Music Concerts and Jayanthi celebrations to mark Sri Krishna Ganasabha anniversary

Four-day programmes from Feb. 21 to 24

Mysuru, Feb. 20- As part of its 22nd anniversary celebrations, Sri Krishna Ganasabha, Mysuru, has organised Music Concerts, Piteel Chowdiah Jayanthi, Sri Chamaraja Wadiyar X Jayanthi, Thyagaraja and Purandaradasara Aradhana Mahotsava from Feb. 21 to 24 at the Sabha's Alwar Kala Bhavana in Gokulam III Stage.

On Feb. 21, Sangeetha Kala Shikhamani Piteel Chowdiah Jayanthi programme will be inaugurated by Dr. K. Chidananda Gowda, former Vice-Chancellor, Kuvempu University, Shivamogga at 6 pm.

The inauguration will be followed by felicitation to Dr. K.B. Ganapathy, Founder-Editor, *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra,* who was conferred the Hon. Doctorate by the University of Mysore during the 103rd Annual Convocation Ceremony in October 2023.

B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs, President, Sri Krishna Ganasabha, will preside.

The evening will conclude with a Violin Duet by Vidwan Vittal Ramamurthy and Vidwan Srihari Vittal. They will be accompanied by Vidwan A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vidwan M.R. Manjunath on ghata.

On Feb. 22, Maharaja Sri Chamaraja Wadiyar X Jayanthi celebrations will be held at the same venue at 6 pm. Amshi Prasannakumar, Senior Journalist, will be the chief guest.

On the occasion, Vyakyana will be presented by Vidwan K.P. Manjunath, Lecturer and Vyakhyanakararu while Kavya Vachana will be by Vidushi Shubha Raghavendra, a noted Gamaki and Gayaki of Mysuru on the topic 'Krishna Bedhopaya' from Karnataka Bharatha Kathamanjari, written by Kumara Vyasa.

Vittal Ramamurthy

Srihari Vittal

Mysore N. Srinath

Medha Manjunath

On Feb.23 at 6.30 pm, a Music Concert, sponsored by Dr. C.M. Muniramappa and Family in memory of their parents, will be presented by Vidwan Mysore N. Srinath (vocal) accompanied by Vidwan M.D. Arjun on violin, Vidwan P.S. Sridhar on mridanga and Vidwan V.S. Ramesh on morching at the Alwar Kala Bhavana in Gokulam.

On Feb.24, Thyagaraja and Purandaradasara Aradhana Mahotsava will be celebrated by the Sabha with a Ghosti Gayana led by Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar at 9.30 am followed by Karnatak Vocal Music by Vidushi Medha Manjunath along with Vidushi C.V. Shruthi on violin, Vidwan M.S. Jayaram on mridanga and Vidwan M.J. Kiran Kumar on ghata.

ARTISTES' PROFILES

Vittal Ramamurthy, who began learning Karnatak music from his mother Krishnaveni, was introduced to violin by his grandfather, Sangeetha Bhushanam B.V. Subba Rao. He continued training under Hosahalli Venkataram and T. Rukmini.

He has performed over 6,000 concerts all over the world, accompanied Lalgudi Jayaraman in his vocal, violin duet and trio concerts and has also accompanied veteran vocalists including D. K. Jayaraman, Mangalampalli Balamuralikrishna, R.K. Srikanthan, Nedunuri Krishnamurthy, Madurai T.N. Seshagopalan, O.S. Thyagarajan, T.K. Govinda Rao, T. V. Sankaranarayanan, K.J. Yesudas, Bombay Sisters and Sudha Raghunathan among others including current generation of vocalists and high-profile instrumentalists.

Srihari Vittal, born into a family of musicians, started his initial training in Karnatak music under his grandmother Krishnaveni Hebbar and his mother Chandrika. He is learning violin from his father Vittal Ramamurthy. Currently, he is pursuing his 3rd year degree in BSc. Hotel Management in SRM Chennai.

Vidwan Mysore N. Srinath had training from stalwarts of Karnatak music like K.G. Kanakalakshmi, Dr. S. Ramanathan, R. K. Narayanaswamy, R.N. Tyagarajan and now he is under the tutelage of R.N. Taranathan. A 'B high' graded artiste of All India Radio, he is known for his pristine music. He has performed in very prestigious sabhas both in India and abroad. He holds a Vidwat degree in Karnatak classical music. At present, he teaches music at Pramathi Hill View Academy in city.

Vidu. Medha Manjunath started learning Music from the age of six years. An M.A (Music) and B.E (Electronics) degree holder, she is the daughter of Musician mother Meera Manjunath and Prof. R.A. Manjunath and married to Vid. Vinod Shyam Anoor.

Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar and Vid. Anoor Anantha Sharma are her teachers. Medha has given performances all over Karnataka and is a recipient of many awards.

Three-day music festival at Veene Seshanna Bhavana

Mysuru, Feb. 20- On the occasion of Sri Purandara and Thyagaraja Aradhane, Ganabharathi in association with Devageetham Charitable Trust, Department of Kannada Culture, Bengaluru and the family members of late C.N. Narayana Rao and Susheelamma, has organised a three-day music festival at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in city from Feb.23 to 25.

On Feb.23 at 6 pm, there will be vocal performance by budding talents Dyuthi, Sriranjini, Abhijna, Gowtham, P.B. Keerthana and Adithi Naduthota. They will be accompanied by Srivatsa and Prerana on violin and Sumukha Shesha and Bhuvan on mridanga.

On Feb.24 from 6 pm to 7.15 pm, a Hindustani vocal performance will be held by Vid. Varchas Srinivas accompanied by Prabhu Rao on harmonium and Sujendra Rao on tabla and from 7.15 pm to 8.30 pm, there will be a Karnatak vocal music by Vidu.

Manya accompanied by C.V. Shruthi on violin and Shubhang-Samaga on mridanga.

On Feb.25, there will be Dasavani programme by renowned artistes from 10 am to 5.15 pm — Vid. Bellary M. Raghavendra, Vid. N.R. Prashanth, Vid. Manasa Nayana, Vidu. Chaithrika, disciples of Vidu. M. Bharathi and disciples of Vidu. M.A. Jyothi will be rendering devaranamas of various Haridasas. They will be accompanied by Vid. Keshav Mohankumar, Vid. Amogh Nadadur, Vid. Yashasvi and Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin and Vid. G.S. Ramanujan, Vid. P. Nataraj, Vid. Vikram Bharadwaj, Vid. Subrahmanya Kumar, Vid. M. J. Kiran Kumar and Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga.

Cultural event by Little Elly Preschool kids

The 8th Annual Day and Graduation Day of Little Elly Preschool, Gokulam, was held recently. Vittal Bhandary, Founder and Preeti Bhandary, Co-Founder, of Learning Edge India Pvt. Ltd., were the chief guests. The children presented a colourful cultural event based on the theme "Colours of the Rainbow." Dr. Lakshmi Ravi and other Trustees were present.

Dr. Kripa Phadke to perform at Khajuraho Dance Festival

Mysuru, Feb. 20- Dr. Kripa Phadke, Founder-Director of Nrityagiri, along with her five students of Nrityagiri, will perform at the 50th Khajuraho Dance Festival at Madhya Pradesh on Feb.26. She will be presenting *Sampoorna Ramayana* assisted by musicians Vidu. Roopashree Madhusudhan (Bengaluru) on nattuvanga, Vid. Udupi Srinath (Trivandrum) on vocals, Vid. Nagai P. Sriram (Chennai) on mridanga and Vid. A. P. Krishna Prasad (Mysuru) on flute.

Kripa Phadke along with her daughter and disciple Pooja Sugam, Samiksha Manukumar, Suraksha Dixit, Spoorthi S. Rao and R. Sripriya will perform.

Dr Kripa Phadke is also serving as Secretary of Ganabharathi, Mysuru.

Conference on 'HIVe Mysuru 2024 - ART Update' held in city

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HIV / AIDS UPDATE 2024
Challenges & Opportunities to end HIV/AIDS & TB
"Opportunities & Challenges to end HIV/AIDS and TB"
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ASHA KIRANA

Dr. Dilip Mathai** (extreme left), **President, AIDS Society of India, addressing the gathering in city on Saturday as** (from left) **Dr. S.N. Mothi, Chairman, Asha Kirana Charitable Trust Hospital, Dr. I.S. Gilada, President-Emeritus, AIDS Society of India, Dr. Mahesh Kumar, Trustee, Asha Kirana Hospital, Arjun Ranga, CEO & Managing Director, N. Ranga Rao and Sons and K.S. Gururaja, Trustee, Asha Kirana Hospital, look on. Picture right shows a section of audience.

Mysuru, Feb.20 (GA&TRR)- A conference on 'HIVe Mysuru 2024 - ART Update: Challenges and opportunities to end HIV/AIDS and TB' was inaugurated by Arjun Ranga, CEO and Managing Director of N. Ranga Rao and Sons, at a private hotel in city on Saturday.

The conference was jointly organised by city-based Asha Kirana Charitable Trust Hospital and AIDS Society of India, Mumbai.

Speaking after inaugurating the conference,Arjun Ranga said it is imperative that awareness programmes about communicable diseases must be increased.

Programmes must be organised to eliminate inferiority complex among the HIV/AIDS affected patients and educate people against treating the affected patients with discrimination. Efforts should also be made to enlighten people about the preventive measures, he added.

Stating that innocent people are becoming AIDS victims due lack of awareness, Arjun Ranga said that by disseminating proper information to the common man, it is possible to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS. The service and social concerns of doctors in this connection deserves appreciation, he concluded.

AIDS Society of India President-Emeritus Dr. I.S. Gilada, who spoke at the conference said that patients affected by AIDS are not getting proper treatment because of lack of information about the treatments available. Despite the fact that it is possible to a lead a normal life like others, those affected with AIDS are staying away from treatment. We need to consider all these factors and formulate our programmes so that all AIDS affected patients get proper treatment, he added.

Continuing, he said that it is a challenging task to free AIDS patients from inferiority complex, depression and infuse enthusiasm in their lives. But it is possible through continuous research, exchange of information and counselling, opined Dr. Gilada and concluded by lauding the efforts of Asha Kirana Charitable Trust Hospital for their efforts to protect the interests for the AIDS affected patients.

Lectures were given by experts through presentations. More than 150 HIV specialists participated in the meet.

Dr. Dilip Mathai, President, AIDS Society of India, Dr. S.N. Mothi, Chairman and Founder-Trustee, Asha Kirana Charitable Trust Hospital, Mysuru, Dr. Mahesh Kumar and K.S. Gururaja, Trustees of Asha Kirana Hospital and others were present on the occasion.

Illuminate 2.0 highlights new technology frontiers

Mysuru, Feb. 20 (BCT)- Illuminate 2.0, a collaborative initiative by L&T Technology Services Limited (LTTS) and the National Institute of Engineering (NIE) in Mysuru, illuminated the vibrant city with a convergence of industry leaders and innovators, sharing invaluable insights and perspectives.

The event, held on Feb. 17 at the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Convocation Hall in city witnessed distinguished speakers K.S. Ramesh, Senior Vice-President of Ather Energy and A. Thiagarajan, Project Specialist - Statue of Unity, L&T Construction, captivating the audience with their diverse experiences from the realms of technology, innovation, and engineering excellence.

Immersive and interactive sessions explored the latest frontiers of technological advancements across industries and domains. Ramesh underscored the burgeoning impact and sustainability benefits of electric vehicles, envisioning their potential to revolutionise global mobility.

Thiagarajan delved into the design and construction saga of the world's tallest statue — The Statue of Unity in Gujarat — unveiling the transformative technologies and initiatives that facilitated its record-time realisation.

The audience, comprising scientists, engineers, industry leaders, government dignitaries, academia, students, and media representatives, was deeply engaged in the captivating narratives unveiling the extraordinary stories behind today's monumental creations.

In a fireside chat moderated by Rajeev Gupta, CFO of LTTS, speakers further explored the role of engineering in fostering significant growth while upholding performance, quality and reliability standards, leaving a resonating message to aspiring engineers — pursue a passion to scale new heights.

Abhishek Sinha, Chief Operating Officer and Board Member at LTTS said, "Through illuminate, our flagship industry-academia interface initiative, LTTS aims to foster unmatched excellence and innovation spirit among young engineers and technologists. The first-hand experiences and insights shared in the vibrant city of Mysuru reaffirm our belief in sustainable growth paradigms nurtured through continuous stakeholder engagement."

Dr. Rohini Nagapadma, Principal, NIE, said, "We are delighted to partake in the second edition of Illuminate with LTTS. Our speakers this year instilled inspiration through first-hand accounts of ingenuity and innovation shaping India's growth. A key takeaway is the imperative of synergising talent development and problem-solving within academic and skill-development initiatives."

The inaugural edition of Illuminate witnessed the presence of Dr. Mylaswami Annadurai, renowned as the "Moon Man of India," and Sudhanshu Mani, the visionary behind the Vande Bharat Express trains.

WORD OF THE DAY

Turbid

Pronunciation: TER-bid.
Meaning: Turbid is a formal word that has several meanings having to do with literal or figurative muddiness or cloudiness. It's most often used literally to describe water that is thick or opaque with stirred-up sediment, as in "the river's turbid waters"; similarly, turbid air is smoky or misty. In figurative use, turbid describes things that lack clarity, as in "efforts to clear my turbid mind."
Origin: Turbid and turgid (which means "swollen or distended" or "overblown, pompous, or bombastic") are frequently mistaken for one another, and it's no wonder. Not only do the two words differ by only a letter, they are often used in contexts where either word could fit. For example, a flooded stream can be simultaneously cloudy and swollen, and badly written prose might be both unclear (another sense of turbid) and grandiloquent. Nevertheless, the distinction between these two words, however fine, is an important one for conveying exact shades of meaning, so it's a good idea to keep them straight. Turbid, like its relative turbulent, comes ultimately from the Latin noun turba, meaning "confusion" or "crowd," while turgid comes from the Latin verb turgēre, "to be swollen."
Example: "Forty million people rely on the Colorado River's largesse, from Wyoming ranchers to the residents of sprawling Arizona subdivisions to the lettuce farmers in California's Imperial Valley. Less visibly, the river is also a lifeline for 14 native species of fish. They are rarely seen by humans — the river they inhabit is as turbid as coffee, and they're seldom fished for sport — yet they require a healthy Colorado as much as any Angeleno or Tucsonan." — Ben Goldfarb, The Atlantic, 8 Oct. 2023.

THE ODD WORD

Tardigrade

Slow-paced.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Take the fall

Meaning: Take the fall means accept the blame and possibly the punishment for another's wrongdoing.
Origin: Although the word "fall" originated in Old English, the origin of the phrase "take the fall" or "take a fall" meaning one incurs the blame for a misdeed perpetrated by another originated in the 1920s. At first, it was used only in criminal underworld slang; by the middle of the 1900s, the phrase was extended to less criminal types of blame.
Example: "It was brave of him to take the fall for Danny like that."

QUOTE BOX

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

—Confucius

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

GOING | FLAT

Answer: Going flat out.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Old Tokyo
4 Belonging to it
7 Ambush
11 Monetary unit of Bulgaria
12 Two
13 Zeus' wife
14 Foreman or supervisor
17 Dines or lunches?
18 Not amenable to control, unmanageable
20 Bristle-like parts of a plant
22 Mandatory last name for a Sikh lady
23 Bird: prefix
24 Pilfer
27 Negligent or careless
31 Capital of Maharashtra
33 Very slowly
34 To tear away
35 Prefix for one thousand
37 Narrative poems
39 Ad-libbed
42 High singing voice
43 Communications
46 Is not, slang
47 Feldspar for one, pyrite for another
48 Tolkien's tree like creature
49 Hardens or sets
50 Natl. Stock Exchg.
51 Dawn to dusk

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	Z	A	D		M	B	A	S		T	A	M
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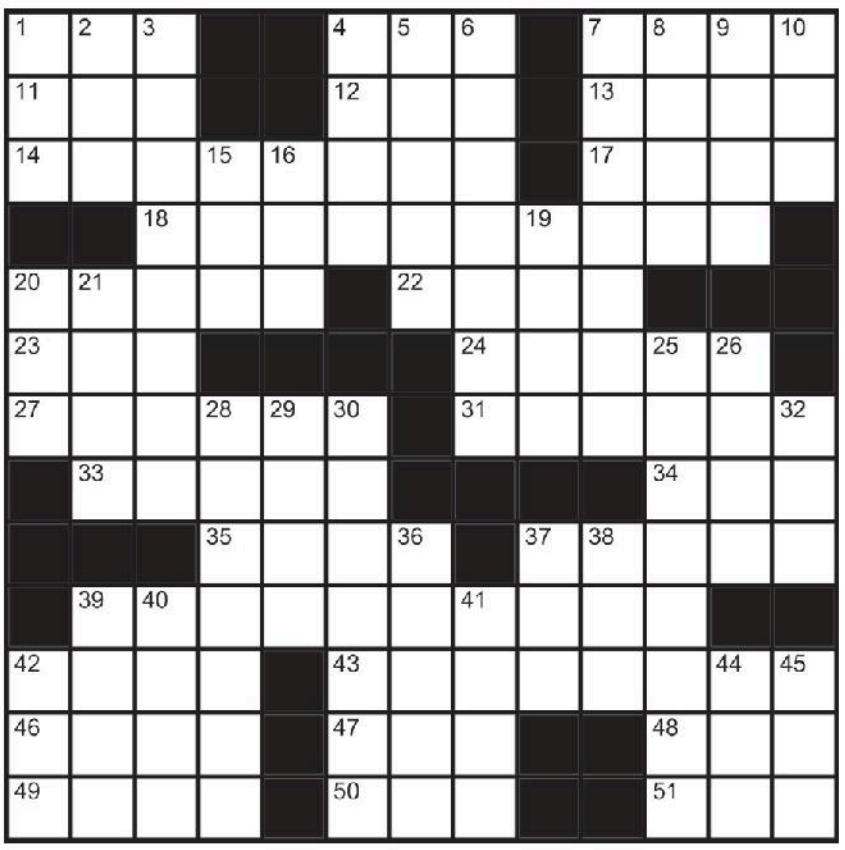
DOWN

1 Grandmaster's rating
2 Cricket legend Kapil ___
3 Extra hours worked
4 Road to Rome - "tier" anagram?
5 Minor adjustment
6 Scornful or ironic language
7 Fermat's ____ : it needs to be proved?
8 Behind or back part
9 Showily pretentious
10 ___ du tout : not at all, in French ?
15 "Bad Behaviour" star Stephen
16 Seller-Furnished Equip.
19 One of a ballerina's shorter skirts
20 Some Assembly Required
21 Daredevil Knievel
25 Shortened or curtailed
26 Not of the clergy
28 In which the old-fashioned pens were dipped before writing
29 Disturbance
30 Proverbially wise king
32 Internet addresses
36 Six-ball sequences
37 The letter "S"
38 Pod vegetable
39 Tennis star Nastase
40 Tel ser. provider in New Delhi and Mumbai
41 Understanding term? (1,3)
42 Famous Hindi movie of days gone by - fire in Hindi?
44 Spanish queen
45 Place where pig's sty



SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

1	7	4	2	6	5	3	8	9
9	2	8	1	3	7	4	5	6
6	3	5	9	8	4	1	2	7
3	5	7	6	9	2	8	4	1
8	4	1	5	7	3	6	9	2
2	9	6	8	4	1	7	3	5
7	1	3	4	2	9	5	6	8
5	8	2	3	1	6	9	7	4
4	6	9	7	5	8	2	1	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

ZVM KENDFMT NR ICRRMEBXO BI: YVS BI

ZVMEM ZVM ICRRMEBXO YM LXNY?

TODAY'S CLUE: O EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: You live day by day. You can't build your life.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Prabha Theatre** — Mob: 98454-14691
  E-mail (K) - 2 Shows; Ladies Bar (K) 2 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — Ph: 2443568
  Ondu Sarala Premakathe (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — Ph: 2520494
  Upadhyaksha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — Mob: 99008-20093
  Upadhyaksha (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — Ph: 2420885
  5D 2024 (K) - 2 Shows; *KTM (K)* - 2 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
  Kaatera (K) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — Ph: 2497199
  Teri Baaton Mein Aisa Uljha Jiya (H) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  5D 2024 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — Ph: 2521923
  5D 2024 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
  Siren (Ta) - 4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Shakhahari (K)	(S-1)	10.15 am
KTM (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Teri Baatoon Mein Aisa Uljha Jiya (H)	(S-1)	4.15 pm
Abbabba (K)	(S-1)	7.05 pm
Bramayugam (Ma)	(S-1)	10 pm; (S-3) 7.10 pm
Thundu (Ma)	(S-2)	10.50 am
Bob Marley: One Love (E)	(S-2)	1.40 pm
Biography	(S-2)	4.20 pm
Kuch Khatta Ho Jaay (H)	(S-2)	7.00 pm
Premalu (Ma)	(S-2)	1.40 pm
Bob Marley: One Love (E)	(S-2)	10.10 pm
Mandya Haida (K)	(S-3)	10.15 am
Siren (Ta)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Madame Web (E)	(S-3)	4.35 pm, 10.00 pm
Saramsha (K)	(S-4)	10.20 am
Upadhyaksha (K)	(S-4)	1.05 pm
Fighter 2D (H)	(S-4)	4.10 pm
Ondu Sarala Prema Kathe (K)	(S-4)	7.20 pm, 10.15 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Madame Web (E)	:	11.00 am, 4.25 pm, 9.30 pm
Alemari E Baduku (K)	:	11.15 am
Abbabba (K)	:	1.10 pm
Upadhyaksha (K)	:	1.15 pm, 4.00 pm
Mandya Haida (K)	:	1.30 pm
Ondu Sarala Premakathe (K)	:	1.35 pm, 7.30 pm
Saramsha (K)	:	4.10 pm
Thundu (Ma)	:	4.10 pm
5D -2024 (K)	:	6.40 pm
KTM (K)	:	6.40 pm
Bramayugam (Ma)	:	6.50 pm, 9.30 pm
E-mail (K)	:	9.10 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

Nexus Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

Teri Baaton Mein Aisa Uljha Jiya (H)	:	9.30 am, 3.55 pm, 7.10, 10.20 pm
Siren (Ta)	:	10.00 am, 1.05 pm, 7.15 pm
Ooru Peru Bhairavakona (Te)	:	10.10 am, 4.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Madame Web (E)	:	10.50 am, 1.25 pm, 4.35, 7.10 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - A (K)	:	11.00 am
Ondu Sarala Premakathe (K)	:	12.15 pm
Premalu (Ma)	:	12.40 pm, 7.05 pm, 10.20 pm
Saramsha (K)	:	1.15 pm
Abbabba (K)	:	2.55 pm
Upadhyaksha (K)	:	3.25 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	4.00 pm
Anweshippin Kandethum (Ma)	:	4.05 pm
Varanam Aayiram (Ta)	:	6.00 pm
Fighter (H)	:	6.35 pm
Bob Marley: One Love (E)	:	9.45 pm
Ravike Prasanga (K)	:	9.50 pm
Bramayugam (Ma)	:	10.00 pm

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Madame Web (E)	:	10.40 am, 1.50 pm, 7.40 pm, 10.15 pm
KTM (K)	:	12 noon
Ooru Peru Bhairavakona (Te)	:	12.05 pm, 6.30 pm
Shakhahaari (K)	:	12.25 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	1.15 pm
Upadhyaksha (K)	:	3.10 pm
Siren (Ta)	:	3.15 pm, 9.30 pm
Thundu (Ma)	:	3.30 pm
Premalu (Ma)	:	4.25 pm, 9.30 pm
Bramayugam (Ma)	:	6.20 pm
Ondu Sarala Premakathe (K)	:	9.45 pm
Teri Baaton Mein Aisa Uljha Jiya (H)	:	6.35 pm

Modification of school motto triggers fiery debate in Houses

An insult to Kuvempu, says BJP; Minister Madhu Bangarappa expresses regret

Bengaluru, Feb. 20 (Agencies)- The Karnataka Legislature witnessed noisy scenes yesterday with the Opposition BJP denouncing Social Welfare Department residential schools displaying a quote at the entrance that reads "Jnana degulavidu dhairvagi prashnisi" (This is a shrine of knowledge, ask questions boldly).

Madhu Bangarappa

They contended that it had replaced the slogan "Vidya degulavidu kai mugidu olage banni" (This is a shrine of education, enter with folded hands).

BJP members said it was the Karnataka Social Welfare Department Principal Secretary P. Manivannan's decision to change the slogan at the entrance of residential schools across the State and sought action against the senior official. The change in the slogan, they argued, is an insult to Jnanpith awardee late Kuvempu, who they said had penned the previous one.

Raising the issue in the Legislative Assembly during Zero Hour, BJP State President B.Y. Vijayendra said the revised slogan, now displayed prominently at the entrance of many Morarji Desai Residential Schools, had ignited debate on various platforms, ranging from social media to staff rooms. He contended it was an insult to Kuvempu.

Meanwhile, the issue was also raised by the BJP members in Legislative Council even as the Government refused to entertain discussion on the subject during Zero Hour. "Discuss the issue under any other rule and not during Zero Hour," Tejaswini Gowda, who was at chair, insisted.

Opposition leader Kota Srinivas Poojary demanded answer from the Government. When the ruling party refused to oblige, the BJP members trooped into the well, resulting in slogan shouting from both sides and House proceeding was stalled.

When the House reconvened, the BJP members took back their protest after the Government promised to secure a response from the Minister concerned.

Responding to the controversy, Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa, expressed regret over the alteration, emphasising the Government's reverence for Kuvempu's legacy and advocating for religious harmony.

He suggested retaining the original words while integrating the new message of bold questioning. Social Welfare Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa said the Government had not issued any directive, criticizing the BJP for politicising the issue based on remarks made in a messaging platform.

EVENTS TODAY (FEB. 20)

- **Coffee City:** 'Twilight Whispers of Hampi - Photography Expo' by Shivashankar Banagar, Neralu-Belaku Gallery, Coffee City, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Haridasa Sangeethotsava Samiti, Mysuru:** Sumadhwa-Vijaya Express, Madhwa-Purandara Namana and Ganasiri-Vedanta Lahari Part-11, Sri 1008 Satyatma Theertha Sripadangal graces the occasion, Sumadhwavijaya 5 & 6 Sargagalu, Pt. Sri Narasimhacharya Gothe explains, Vid. Ashish Nayak and Vidu. Chandana Muralidhar will sing, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **5.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB. 21)

- **Coffee City:** 'Twilight Whispers of Hampi - Photography Expo' by Shivashankar Banagar, Neralu-Belaku Gallery, Coffee City, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **10 am to 9 pm.**
- **Haridasa Sangeethotsava Samiti, Mysuru:** Sumadhwa-Vijaya Express, Madhwa-Purandara Namana and Ganasiri-Vedanta Lahari Part-11, Sri 1008 Satyatma Theertha Sripadangal graces the occasion, Sumadhwavijaya 7 & 8 Sargagalu, Pt. Sri Pavamanacharya Kallapura explains, Vidu. Shubha Santhosh will sing, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **5.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Ganasabha, Mysuru:** 22nd annual celebrations, Music Concerts, Thyagaraja and Purandaradasara Aradhana Mahotsava as part of Sangeetha Kala Shikhamani Piteel Chowdiah's Jayanthi Celebrations, former VC of Kuvempu University, Shivamogga, Dr. K. Chidananda Gowda inaugurates, felicitation to *Star of Mysore* & *Mysuru Mithra* Founder-Editor Dr. K.B. Ganapathy, Sri Krishna Ganasabha President B.S. Sridhararaj Urs presides, Violin Duet by Vidwan Vittal Ramamurthy and Vidwan Srihari Vittal accompanied by Vidwan A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vidwan M.R. Manjunath on ghata, Alwar Kala Bhavana, Gokulam III Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Trineshwaraswamy Temple, Palace Premises:** Sri Trineshwaraswamy Brahmotsava, Girija Kalyanotsava, Temple premises, **6.30 pm.**

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

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Upadhyaksha (K)	(S-1)	10.05 am; (S-2) 7.15 pm
Teri Batoon Mein Aisa Uljha Jiya (H)	(S-3)	10.00 pm
Ondu Sarala Prema Kathe (K)	(S-4)	10.05 am, 4.20 pm
Ooru Peru Bhairavakona (Te)	(S-1)	3.55 pm
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Premalu (Ma)	(S-3)	6.45 pm
Bob Marley: One Love (E)	(S-3)	4.10 pm
Madame Web (E)	(S-1)	1.20 pm, 7.05 pm, 9.40 pm
	(S-2)	9.55 am
Siren (Ta)	(S-2)	4.00 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-3)	12.15 pm
Abbabba (K)	(S-4)	1.15 pm
Thundu (Ma)	(S-4)	7.30 pm

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Madame Web (E)	:	10.35 am, 12.40 pm, 7.35 pm, 10.10 pm
Upadhyaksha (K)	:	11.40 am, 4.20 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	12 noon
Saramsha (K)	:	12.30 pm
5D - 2024 (K)	:	2.55 pm
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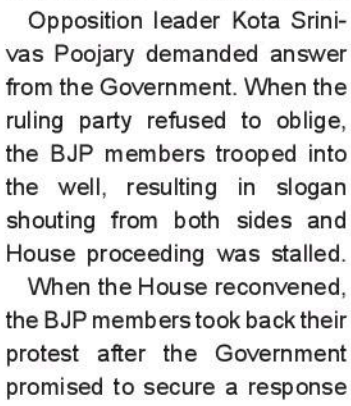

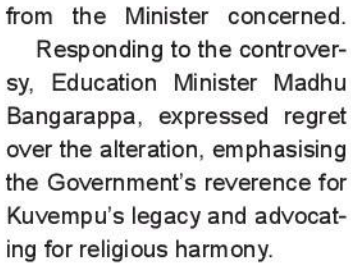

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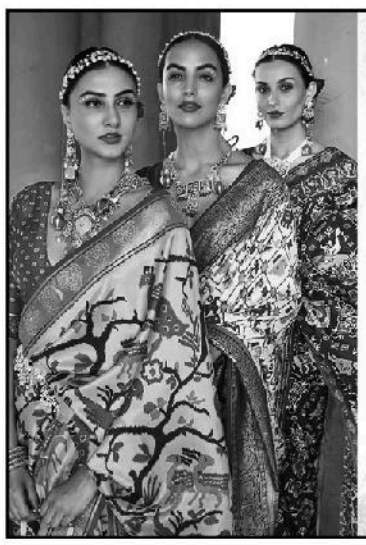

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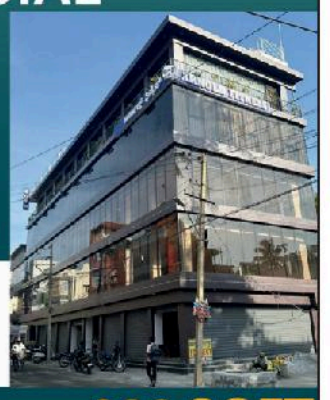

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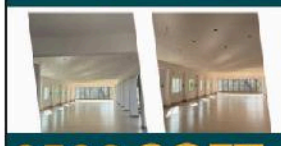

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